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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Heinz Fabian
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Title : METHOD FOR PRODUCING AN SiO_2 BLANK AND
APPARATUS FOR PERFORMING SAID METHOD
Group art unit : 1762
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This amendment is being filed in response to the office action dated August 8, 2003.

Please amend the above application as follows: